

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS

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1. A facsimile apparatus configured to exchange email data via a network, comprising:

a system control unit which controls an operation of the facsimile apparatus;

10 a communication management unit which stores communication management information in response to occurrence of a facsimile communication;

an address registration unit which registers an email address to which email is

15 transmitted; and

a data-format conversion unit which converts the communication management information stored in said communication management unit into data in a text format,

20 wherein said system control unit sends the communication management information in the text format to the email address registered in said address registration unit by email.

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2. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in  
claim 1, wherein the text format is the CSV format.

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3. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in  
10 claim 1, wherein said system control unit requests  
said data-format conversion unit to convert the  
communication management information stored in said  
communication management unit into data in the text  
format in response to a detection that transmissions  
15 and receptions have occurred more than a  
predetermined number of times.

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4. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in  
claim 3, wherein said system control unit determines  
according to a user parameter whether to send the  
communication management information in the text  
25 format to the email address in response to the

detection that transmissions and receptions have occurred more than a predetermined number of times.

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5. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein said system control unit outputs the communication management information on a sheet  
10 of paper if the email transmission of the communication management information fails.

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6. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein only a portion of items of the communication management information are converted into data in the text format, and are sent to the  
20 email address registered in said address registration unit by email.

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7. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in claim 6, wherein said portion of items include at least one of a date of facsimile transmission and/or reception, a time thereof, a destination of  
5 facsimile transmission, an originating source of facsimile transmission, a communication mode, a number of pages, communication results, and a user code.

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8. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in claim 6, wherein the portion of items are specified  
15 by use of a terminal connected to said facsimile apparatus.

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9. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in claim 1, wherein said system control unit sends the communication management information in the text  
format to the email address by email at a specified  
25 time.

5           10. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in  
claim 1, wherein said system control unit sends the  
communication management information in the text  
format to the email address by email when specified  
conditions are satisfied.

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          11. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in  
15 claim 10, wherein the specified conditions are  
satisfied when a number of facsimile transmissions  
to a specified address exceeds a predetermined  
number.

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          12. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in  
claim 10, wherein the specified conditions are  
25 satisfied when a number of facsimile transmissions

during specified hours exceeds a predetermined number.

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13. The facsimile apparatus as claimed in claim 10, wherein the specified conditions are satisfied when a number of facsimile transmissions longer than a specified communication time exceeds a predetermined number.